

BYRON JAMES BILL THROUGH HOUSE

Speaker Overwhelms Delegates and Drastic Anti-Saloon Law Gets Majority

WILL BE OPPOSED ON SENATE SIDE

Attempt to Prevent Printing of Evidence in Rhea Case at This Time Is Defeated—Military Bill Passes Senate as Originally Drawn.

BY LEWIS H. MACHEN.
In the lower branch of the General Assembly yesterday King Whiskey and his cousins got a solar plexus blow—not from any of their old and blatant foes, but at the hands of a new heavyweight champion, the Speaker of the House of Delegates.

The battle was not according to the Marquis of Queensbury rules, or even according to the rules of the House, for the rules were suspended, the bill was taken up out of its order, and the constitutionality readings dispensed with. It would not be accurate to say that it was railroaded through the House. It went through like a balloon in a high wind. Reasons for delay were urged; the members had not had time to read the bill; printed copies had not been thoroughly distributed; it was an important measure, which should not be hastily considered. The Speaker, on the floor, held it and held his ground also. He offered to read the bill line by line, courteously yielded to all interjections, promptly answered all questions, and met all objections with directness and vigor. Late in the afternoon session the entire field had been fought over, and the bill swept on to victory. The delegate from Pittsylvania gallantly failed to stem the tide.

Radical Advance.
No such radical advance in restrictive legislation has been attempted in the past. The bill is a single movement in Virginia before. It is true that the larger liquor interests will not be seriously affected. The bill is a single movement in Virginia before. It is true that the larger liquor interests will not be seriously affected. The bill is a single movement in Virginia before. It is true that the larger liquor interests will not be seriously affected.

The bill directly and expressly destroys the country barroom. Section 3 confers the granting of license specifically to four classes of localities—namely, cities, towns, and villages, or more, summer and seaside resorts, and communities contiguous to incorporated cities and towns of 500 inhabitants. It prevents the sale of liquor on steamships, and it prohibits the sale of liquor in the hands of the law, by allowing search warrants for liquor, by putting the burden of proof upon the defendant to show that liquor which produces intoxication is not intoxicating. It is a single movement in Virginia before. It is true that the larger liquor interests will not be seriously affected.

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FOR THEFT OF JEWELRY

Travelling Family Charged With Stealing Valuables from Boarding House.

[Special to The Times-Dispatch.]
LYNCHBURG, VA., February 14.—Mr. and Mrs. Robert Hudson, and two sons, one of whom is an adult and the other about seven years of age, were arrested on Ninth Street this afternoon upon complaint of Mr. A. Woolfolk, of Glasgow, on the charge of grand larceny. The family was locked up at the police station, and to-morrow morning at 9 o'clock will be taken back to Rockbridge county for a preliminary trial.

It is alleged that some member of the family, while in the boarding house, conducted by Mrs. J. S. Woolfolk, the mother of the gentleman causing the arrest in Glasgow, stole jewelry valued at \$50. When the family was taken to the police station the jewelry described by Mr. Woolfolk, including two neckties, two pairs of cuff buttons and a pin, were turned over to the police. The husband and father claimed that the little boy carried the stuff off, and that the remainder of the party knew nothing about it. Mr. Hudson, Mr. Woolfolk claims, offered to compromise the matter if they were allowed to depart. When this was refused he offered to put up a cash bond of \$100 so that Mrs. Hudson might not be taken to jail. It is understood that the Hudson family hail from Baltimore, and that they are traveling by carriages to Florida. They have a double bed and a single one, both of which have been put up at a livery stable in the city. All of these traps, including guns, fishing tackle, a box of ball bats, a coating sled and other articles too numerous to mention, were stored in the police station pending the disposition of the case against the family.

SHOOTING PHYSICIAN

Cincinnati Doctor Killed at Bedside of Young Woman by Her Uncle.

CINCINNATI, O., February 14.—Dr. Danzigler was shot and instantly killed to-day by Robert Gott, uncle of Anna Bell Stangley, seventeen years old, at whose bedside the physician was giving medical attention. Dr. Danzigler had been attending Miss Stangley for several days. It is said that the girl was suffering from an operation performed by Dr. Danzigler. Dr. Danzigler was called into the case.

Robert Gott, his wife and three small children and his niece came to this city about three weeks ago from Princeton, W. Va. It is said that the girl's cousin ordered an operation for her, and that he died several weeks ago. The girl was the only witness to the shooting. It is said that she is in a critical condition. When Gott was placed in a cell he attempted to brain himself by beating his head against the bars. He was then removed to the City Hospital, where he was guarded by policemen to prevent his committing suicide. Dr. Danzigler is known to the police.

THE TRIAL OF CAUTHORN

Commonwealth Charges Murder in First Degree; Defense Pleads Insanity.

[Special to The Times-Dispatch.]
A jury in the Cauthorn case was sworn at 11 o'clock to-day, and the trial was commenced immediately. The Commonwealth's attorney contended that it was carefully planned murder in the first degree. The defense contended that it was insanity. The trial is expected to continue for several days.

The defense stated that they would rely on the plea of insanity. The evidence of the Commonwealth, with the exception of one witness, was admitted. A night session is being held, and most of the evidence for the defense will be taken. It is hardly likely, however, that the rebuttal evidence will be completed before noon to-morrow, and the argument may be completed by noon to-morrow. It is doubtful if the verdict will be rendered before Monday.

STOLEN RIDE PROVES FATAL

Negro Youth Killed Under an Express Car on Norfolk.

[Special to The Times-Dispatch.]
BLACKSTONE, VA., February 14.—Upon the arrival of passenger train No. 1 on the Norfolk and Western here last night, a negro youth, apparently about sixteen years old, was discovered under the express car, terribly broken up and killed. He had been run over by the train. The body was found in a very few minutes. Who he is or where from, no one has been able to learn.

Taft Speaks to Cadets

Presents Diplomas to Members of Graduating Class at West Point.

WEST POINT, N. Y., February 14.—With plain words of advice as to their future duties, the advantages and hardships of an army career, Secretary of War William H. Taft to-day presented diplomas to the 108 members of the graduating class of the United States Military Academy. The secretary impressed upon the young men that the military service must ever be subordinate to the civil government, and that it was the soldier's duty to "keep his mouth shut and obey orders."

PROHIBITION BILL DEFEATED

IN WEST VIRGINIA SENATE

CHARLESTON, W. VA., February 14.—The proposed constitutional amendment to prevent the manufacture and sale of liquor in this State except for scientific and medicinal purposes, which passed the House by a vote of 19 to 11 to-day, was defeated in the Senate by a vote of 19 to 11 to-day.

SESSONS OF TWO HOUSES

Speaker's Whiskey Bill Pushed Through Lower Branch.

Hon. Tipton D. Jennings of Lynchburg, called the House of Delegates to order and presided during a portion of the morning session. Prayer was offered by Delegates S. H. Love, of Petersburg, and the clerk at once proceeded to the reading of reports from various committees.

Mr. S. H. Love offered the following resolution, which was referred to the Committee on Rules:

"He it resolved by the House of Delegates, that the House of Delegates shall be the rule of the General Assembly of Virginia that when the judges of the Corporation and Circuit Courts are to be elected, an officer of the State is to be appointed or removed, or the nominations of the Governor are to be confirmed, the votes of

TO COVER GLOBE WITH MISSIONS

World-Wide Movement to Carry Gospel to Nearly Billion Heathen People.

RICHMOND LAYMEN ORGANIZE FOR WORK

Prominent Speakers Describe Conditions in Far East, and Point Out Steps That Must Be Taken—Another Meeting to Be Held To-Night.

That the Christian world could and should in the present generation place an intelligible account of the vital truths of its religion within reach of the 900,000,000 of heathen people, was the burden of the message delivered at the meeting of the Richmond churches, held in the Jefferson Hotel last night. A further meeting of all interested will be held to-night in the Y. M. C. A. hall for the purpose of discussing informally what part these Richmond churches shall take in this world-wide movement.

Three stirring addresses were made by earnest men who were fully convinced and fully informed. Mr. S. M. McBe, owner and editor of the New York Churchman, presented the religious side of the work, declaring that the prime object, if not the only object, for the existence of the Christian church is to go into all the world and preach the gospel.

Mr. William T. Ellis, an experienced writer, who in the interest of a syndicate of newspapers, spent a year or more traveling in the Orient, told of the terrible distress and unvarnished words, of present conditions, punctuating the theory that the worn-out creeds of Eastern nations are sufficient for and suited to their civilization, and ably defending the work of Christian missions. Mr. J. Campbell White, general secretary of the laymen's movement, himself for ten years a resident of India, discussed the practical side, showing in cold figures what is now being done in mission work—the extent of the field, the basis of support—and held out the possibility of covering the globe with a chain of missionaries, at least one to every 25,000 people, without counting the helpers.

The attendance was large and representative, active church workers seeming to be deeply interested in the subject. In order that there might be a more extended conference, with an interchange of views, and an opportunity for questions, it was resolved to adjourn to this evening, when another meeting will be held to take definite steps to put into effect the suggestions made.

Conditions in East.
The address of Mr. Ellis proved the feature of the meeting. Truth as conditions in the East were presented with almost brutal distinctness. Mr. Ellis stated that he went to the East with instructions to "see both sides and report the facts." He was not an apologist for or a defender of missions, and frankly admitted that in individual cases he had justified every criticism made of them as a class.

On his journey, Mr. Ellis stated, he traveled over 14,000 miles, on nineteen steamships, on almost every kind of (Continued on Third Page.)

FLOOD AT PITTSBURG

Merchants Moving in Anticipation of Serious Situation To-Day.

PITTSBURG, PA., February 14.—Merchants, manufacturers and residents in the lower sections of Pittsburgh and its suburbs are putting in a busy night moving merchandise and other belongings beyond the report of a possible flood.

That a flood is coming was definitely announced by the local weather forecaster to-night. The forecast is for a heavy rain, with a high tide in the Ohio River by noon to-morrow. It is still raining and all depends upon the precipitation during the early morning. A great ice gorge in the Allegheny River at Parker above this city broke to-night, and is passing out without hindrance. The great gorge below West Newton, but this holding firm to-night, and its later effect cannot be foretold.

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THREE YEARS FOR BIGAMY

Joseph Owens Convicted of Having Two Wives and Sent to Penitentiary.

[Special to The Times-Dispatch.]
NORFOLK, VA., February 14.—Joseph Owens, alias Joseph Leonard, was found guilty this afternoon in the Hustings Court of Portsmouth on the charge of bigamy, and given a three years' sentence in the State penitentiary.

Over two wives, Rexford Bell and Clara Whittig, appeared against him. He married Miss Bell under the name of Owens, in Berkeley, Mass., in 1891, and married Miss Whittig in Portsmouth under the name of Leonard. Owens is not yet twenty-one.

Shah of Persia Is Reported Killed

VIENNA, February 14.—Report is in circulation here that the Shah of Persia has been assassinated. No confirmation of the report is obtainable here.

BIG WAREHOUSE IS BURNED

Large Establishment of Michle Grocery Company, Loss, \$100,000.

[Special to The Times-Dispatch.]
CHARLOTTEVILLE, VA., February 14.—The Michle Grocery Company's warehouse, on South Street, was burned to the ground early this morning, with a loss of about \$100,000. The insurance, amounting to \$200,000, was paid by the Michle Company, which has twenty branches in the South. The building was packed with goods from cellar to garret, rendering the work of the firemen inefficient. It took four hours to clear the debris. The stock destroyed this morning belonged to the Michle Grocery Company, which James P. Michle is president. Fred W. Swannam is secretary and T. E. Powers treasurer. Armour & Co. were losers of stock amounting to \$2,500. The Michle Company will at once rebuild and resume business.

The building was the property of Mr. R. P. Valentine and was valued at \$150,000. It was on the site of the building where there was a branch warehouse of Charles King & Sons, which was burned in the spring of 1887, with the loss of two lives, resulting from explosions and falling debris. The stock destroyed this morning belonged to the Michle Grocery Company, which James P. Michle is president. Fred W. Swannam is secretary and T. E. Powers treasurer. Armour & Co. were losers of stock amounting to \$2,500. The Michle Company will at once rebuild and resume business.

MIDGETS PAYS PENALTY

Executed in Alexandria for the Murder of Charles T. Smith.

ALEXANDRIA, VA., February 14.—The first legal execution in this city for thirty-five years occurred to-day. George Midgets, alias William Johnson, was hanged at the city jail yard for the murder of Charles T. Smith on October 20, 1906. Midgets had been suspected of implication in a murderous assault on a policeman at which he was killed. Midgets, without hesitation, walked to the scaffold, accompanied by his spiritual adviser, Rev. Alexander Spruitt, and the principal witnesses. He was dressed for the occasion, as the day was observed as a holiday in honor of the fleet.

The solemnity of the Chileans was almost boundless, and they cheered lustily as each battleship of the fleet sailed along the reviewing ship, their sides lined with jacks in immaculate white, and the bands playing patriotic airs.

ENTIRE UNION INDICTED

Charged With Violating Sherman Antitrust Law in Refusing to Coal.

NEW ORLEANS, La., February 14.—Seventy-two men, representatives of all the classes of labor employed on the New Orleans River front and who compose the United States Dock and Cotton Council, were indicted by the United States grand jury, on the charge of conspiring to restrain trade and commerce in violation of the Sherman antitrust law.

The indictments followed the refusal of the Dock and Cotton Council to permit the Coal and Oil War, which cleared several days ago for Puerto Cortez.

The agent of the Habi signed an agreement with the union, had his vessel loaded and then placed the coal in the hands of the United States District attorney.

DAVID P. BARHYDD DEAD

Once Treasurer of Republic of Texas; Daughter Living in Virginia.

[Special to The Times-Dispatch.]
NEW YORK, February 14.—David P. Barhydd is dead. He was the former Treasurer of the Republic of Texas. He was born in Ogdensburg, N. Y., in 1816. In 1840 he was secretary of the Texas State Convention, and was elected to the Texas State Senate. He was a member of the Texas State Senate from 1840 to 1842. He was a member of the Texas State Senate from 1840 to 1842. He was a member of the Texas State Senate from 1840 to 1842.

NEGRO BORN NEAR HERE REACHES AGE OF 112 YEARS

[Special to The Times-Dispatch.]
OTTAWA, ONT., February 14.—Henry Clayburn, Glenlog township's first oldest settler, is declared Durham, Ontario, at the age of 112 years. Clayburn, the last of a colony of negroes who settled near Rocky Mountain, in 1811, he and some others died northward to the free country, gaining Canadian territory without mishap, and living within five miles of the place where he died at such a remarkable age.

WILL DECLINE NORFOLK CALL

[Special to The Times-Dispatch.]
WILMINGTON, N. C., February 14.—While not officially announced yet, it is learned positively to-night that Rev. R. W. Ligon, rector of St. James Episcopal Church, this city, will decline the call extended him by Christ Church, Norfolk, Va.

CHILE PROUD THAT SHIPS PAID VISIT

Immense Crowd Waits all Day to See Evans's Fleet Pass Valparaiso.

PRESIDENT'S SALUTE FIRED AS THEY PASS

President Montt and Distinguished Guests Steam Out Into the Harbor and Review the Splendid Sea-Fighters—Flotilla Following.

VALPARAISO, CHILE, February 14.—The great American fleet of sixteen battleships, under the command of Rear-Admiral Evans, passed Valparaiso this afternoon, and continued on its voyage northward for Callao, Peru, the next stopping place. All Valparaiso and thousands of people from every city in Chile witnessed the passing of the fleet. President Montt and the other high officials of the republic came out from shore to greet the battleships, and almost the entire Chilean navy exchanged salutes with them as they swung around Curumilla Point and into Valparaiso Bay in single file, headed by the Chilean cruiser Chacabuco and five Chilean torpedo-boat destroyers.

Turning sharp around Curumilla at ten minutes after 2 o'clock this afternoon, the Chacabuco and the torpedo-boat destroyers led the fleet, and the other ships followed in the view of the thousands who had awaited their appearance since dawn. The day was perfect.

Given President's Salute.
President Montt and other Chilean officials embarked on the training ship General Baquedano and took a position well out in the harbor. Around the fleet, the Chilean navy, in single file, headed by the Chilean cruiser Chacabuco and five Chilean torpedo-boat destroyers, passed the fleet.

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Banquet in Honor of Guests.
After the fleet had passed to the northward a banquet was served on board the General Baquedano by President Montt. In honor of the Chilean navy and his other guests. Toasts were drunk to President Roosevelt and Admiral Evans and his officers, crews and ships, and the universal wish was expressed that the Americans may have fair weather and a safe passage to their destination.

In the city of Valparaiso to-night celebrations of every kind are in progress, and everywhere may be heard the shouts of joy and the music of the bands.

INSTRUCTED FOR BRYAN

Wisconsin Convention Directs Delegates to Hold Out for Nebraska.

MILWAUKEE, Wis., February 14.—The Wisconsin delegation to the National Democratic Convention at Denver was to-day instructed to hold out for Nebraska. The platform committee, instructed to vote as a unit for William Jennings Bryan as the Democratic nominee for President, first, last and all the time, the platform containing the instructions was unanimously adopted by the convention by a rising vote. The delegates, after the convention, will be instructed to vote as a unit for William Jennings Bryan as the Democratic nominee for President, first, last and all the time, the platform containing the instructions was unanimously adopted by the convention by a rising vote.

GIVE ENLISTED MEN MORE

Committee Agrees Upon Increase Exceeding That Asked by Gen. Bell.

WASHINGTON, February 14.—The long deferred agreement to report favorably a substantial percentage increase of pay for the enlisted men of the United States Army was reached to-day by the House Committee on Military Affairs. The committee has decided to recommend an average increase approximating 27 per cent, or 6 per cent more than was requested by General Bell, chief of staff. This increase will apply also to the enlisted men of the marine corps.

MARYLAND PASSES AMENDMENT TO ELIMINATE NEGRO VOTE

[Special to The Times-Dispatch.]
ANNAPOLIS, MD., February 14.—The constitutional amendment, designed to disfranchise the colored voters of the State, was passed by the Senate to-day. The measure will be submitted to the people for ratification at the general election in November, 1908.

TEN LOST WITH SHIP

The Emily Reed Gook, Ashore and Manned by a Crew of Ten.

PORTLAND, ORE., February 14.—The American ship Emily Reed, 113 days out from Newcastle, N. S., for Portland, with coal, went ashore today at the mouth of the Nehalem River on the Oregon coast and broke in two. The crew was swept overboard by the sea. Two seamen were lost while six were saved, including the captain and his wife.

NATIVE VIRGINIAN TO BE MISSIONARY TO PHILIPPINES

[Special to The Times-Dispatch.]
CAMBRIDGE, MASS., February 14.—Rev. Robt. White, Jr., rector of St. James Church, has resigned his pulpit to take up missionary work in the Philippines, under Bishop Brent. He is a graduate of the University of Virginia and of the Virginia Theological Seminary at Alexandria, Va., and has served in mountain missions of his native State.

BOILER EXPLODES IN SCHOOL

Teacher and Sixty Pupils Precipitated Into Basement, But Rescued.

ADRIAN, MO., February 14.—An explosion of a boiler in the basement of the public school to-day tore away the floor of the primary department and precipitated a teacher and sixty pupils into the basement, burning and scalding many of them frightfully. The teacher and half of the pupils sustained severe injuries. Many of the children were taken out in an unconscious condition, and some of the larger boys engaged in the work of rescue were overcome by smoke.

A son of Mr. D. Spangler suffered the most serious injuries, his hands being blown off and his body scalded. Miss Maud Morgan, the teacher, was found under a pile of hot cinders and other rubbish. She was severely burned. The son of William Bullock was thrown out of a window and sustained a skull fracture. The older boys of the school jumped into the basement at the risk of burns and continued their efforts at rescue until every child was found.

INDIAN LASS HIS BRIDE

Radford Insurance Man Marries a Belle of the Creek Nation.

[Special to The Times-Dispatch.]
RADFORD, VA., February 14.—A pretty romance, in which Mr. S. Howard, a general insurance man of Radford, Miss Mattie Posey, of Eufaula, Oklahoma, a handsome half-breed of the Creek Nation, and Master Cupid figured, was consummated to-day, when Mr. Howard and Miss Posey were united in marriage. Mr. Howard is the son of Captain and Mrs. John T. Howe, of East Radford, and a nephew of Mr. Haven Howe, chief of the Light House section. He was an employee of the Life Insurance Company of Virginia, but, with his brothers, went to Oklahoma last July to develop oil on land belonging to them there.

The bride, who is a college graduate and a fine young woman, belongs to a family prominent in Oklahoma. She is the daughter of the late Lewis Posey, an influential ranchman, and chief of the Light House section of the Creek Nation. Her mother, Mrs. Nancy Posey, is a full-blooded Creek Indian. Her brother, Mr. Alex. Posey, was for some time editor of the Eufaula Journal at Eufaula, and is now one of the leading lawyers of Muskogee. The marriage took place to-day at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Howard. Mr. and Mrs. Howard will visit Virginia early in the summer, where Mr. Howard has many friends who will welcome his Western bride.

MANY WANT THE BONDS

\$500,000 New York City's Over-subscribed Six Times at One Price.

NEW YORK, February 14.—Exceeding the most optimistic predictions and indicating the strength of the investment demand after the monetary panic, the \$500,000 New York City 4 1/2 per cent bonds, the largest lot ever offered for public subscription by the city, were oversubscribed six times to-day. No less than 1,163 bids were made, and Comptroller Metz said that he believed 194 would not be met. A higher price than for the last offering of \$400,000 bonds at 4 1/2 per cent, which, though oversubscribed four times, was sold at 102 1/2, was offered. The highest price offered to-day was 105 and a syndicate, composed of J. P. Morgan & Company, Harvey K. & Company, First National Bank and the National City Bank bid 103.377 for \$47,000 worth of 1957 stock and 100.377 for the \$3,000,000 assessment bonds of 1911.

The sale of this enormous block of bonds was advertised by the city after the Fair Association had guaranteed the sale. Comptroller Metz said the sale had exceeded all expectations, and that the city had received \$47,000 more than was expected. The money obtained from the bonds will be used for various corporate purposes.

FAIR OFFICERS INDICTED

Charged With Permitting Gambling and Immoral Exhibitions.

[Special to The Times-Dispatch.]
CHARLOTTE, N. C., February 14.—The grand jury of Mecklenburg County to-day returned indictments against the officers and directors of the Mecklenburg County Fair Association on two counts—permitting gambling and immoral exhibitions at the fair held here last fall. The indictments are so framed that the Fair Association, as a corporation, and the individual directors can be prosecuted, and if the county fails to make out a case against one, the others will be immediately instituted against the other. The indictments name eleven officers and directors, and among these are one county commissioner, one Alderman and one official. All are prominent in the business and social affairs of Charlotte. The recent failure of the Fair Association, and there has been much criticism of the association in consequence of the loss of the fair. The association has employed counsel, and will fight the prosecution, and enters the fight with the sympathy of a great proportion of the inhabitants.

JIM SMITH IS CAUGHT

Noted Moonshiner, Wanted for Hendricks Murder, Is Seized.

[Special to The Times-Dispatch.]
JIM SMITH, an alleged moonshiner, who is wanted for the murder of Deputy Collector Hendricks a few months ago in the mountain west of Stokes County, was captured to-day on the streets of Madison by Deputy Sheriff H. T. Pratt. The government offered a reward of \$1,000 for his arrest. Two other alleged moonshiners, Oscar Sisk and John Hill, who were wanted for complicity in the killing of Hendricks, are now in jail in Greensboro awaiting trial. Smith will be removed to Greensboro to-morrow.

The government authorities believe Smith to be the same Smith who was the actual murderer of the deputy collector.

THREE TOWNS DESTROYED

Small Places in Mississippi Demolished and Lives Lost.

MERIDIAN, MISS., February 14.—Three small Mississippi towns were practically demolished by a tornado to-day. Reports of the number killed range from six to ten. Mossville, Service and Soso are the towns destroyed. They are all in Jones county, and are very small, being merely a handful of scattered dwellings. The tornado struck them about noon, and in most instances is reported to have carried buildings in its path completely off the lots on which they stood. Nearby fields were covered with wreckage, and the branches of several trees were littered with small household articles.

L. S. Morrison, Mayor of Mossville, who came here after the storm, said that he was out-of-doors during the blow, and was compelled to grasp a wire fence to keep from being blown away. He said the dead at Mossville are Alex. Windham and wife, negroes. Near the town he said four white persons had been killed—a man and his wife and their two children. The seriously injured at Mossville are J. W. Robinson, Mr. and Mrs. William Campbell and Minnie Campbell.

Near Service one child of Ike Holloway is reported dead, and also an unknown negro. No reports of fatalities have come from Soso.

The tornado was accompanied by

DEATH AND WASTE LEFT IN TRAIL OF TEXAS TORNADO

Town of Tyler and Region Around Has Most Severe Visitation in History.

HOMES SWEEP AWAY AND MANY ARE KILLED

Three Small Towns in Mississippi Practically Demolished, and Numbers Reported Dead and Injured—Other Sections Suffer from Wind.

TYLER, TEX., February 14.—

Tyler was swept by the most disastrous tornado in its history before daylight to-day. Coming from the southwest, the storm swept over the main residence quarter of the city, leaving a trail of death and devastation.

The known dead in Tyler are C. A. Francis, agent of the Dallas News, and his wife and baby, and a negro, Mose Lee, eighty years of age.